

FRISCO EMPLOYEES INJURED IN FIGHT

Conductor and Brakeman Living at Ft. Smith, Ark., Engage in Battle, and One May Die.

SPRINGFIELD, April 15.—Edward L. Matthews, Frisco conductor, and Robert Williams, brakeman, both living at Fort Smith, Ark., are confined in a hospital at Paris, Tex., suffering from severe wounds sustained in a bloody encounter between the men on southbound Frisco freight train No. 35 on Wednesday night, according to information received by Frisco officials Friday. Matthews' condition is considered critical, but Williams is expected to recover.

Matthews' most serious injuries are confined to his head while the danger facing Williams' lies in a knife wound in the abdomen. The cause of the trouble between the two men is not known.

The fight took place in the caboose while the train was between Hugo and Arthur City, Tex. Mack Sawyer, head brakeman on the train, living in Fort Smith, appeared on the scene while the men were engaged in a bloody combat. He separated them and when the train reached Arthur City sent a telegram to Paris, asking that ambulances and physicians meet the train there to convey the injured to the hospital. While Sawyer was taking the train into Paris and was outside the caboose Matthews obtained a revolver and fired at Williams, according to information reaching here. The bullet went wild, but was fired at such close range that Williams was badly powder burned in the face. Both Williams and Matthews were unconscious when taken out of the caboose at Paris.

According to information reaching here from Paris, Matthews fought with a pocket knife, while Williams used a lantern. The shattered remains of the lantern were found in a pool of blood in the caboose. Advices from the hospital at Paris state Matthews' skull probably is fractured. He had been rendered speechless.

HOW TO ATTRACT THE BIRDS

In the May Woman's Home Companion Franz Biehler gives direction as to building houses that birds will nest in and how to secure a garden that birds will come to.

"A good many species, to be sure, build their own nests to suit themselves. They choose their own quarters, and will have nothing to do with all those cute little houses and nesting boxes which we put up so insinuatingly about the garden—always in places where we can watch what is going on!

"But the martins and the swallows, the wrens and the bluebirds, the chickadees, and even the flickers and the screech owls, can sometimes be enticed to adopt our human-made tenements. Indeed, some of them, like the martins, seem to be peculiarly happy with the provisions we offer. There is no end of fun making these bird houses. They should always have a projecting roof to keep out the rain, and the front door should be high off the floor."

Mr. Biehler also reminds all bird lovers that water is an essential to any bird garden and tells how it should be used to the best advantage.

RAILROAD MEN TO ARBITRATE

Chicago, April 15.—Representatives of the four brotherhoods of railroad men have written to the Association of Western Railways asking the appointment of a national committee to deal with the union representatives in the matter of their demands recently submitted to the railroads of the country, it was learned today. Representatives of the railroads assert that compliance with demands of the men that they be given shorter hours and increased pay for overtime would mean an annual increase of \$100,000,000 in operating costs. The brotherhoods request an answer to their demands by April 29.

IMPROVING FRISCO

BEAUTY SPOTS

The Frisco is making preparations to put new fences around their little parks in the railroad yards. Improvements will also be made around the office buildings to make them more attractive.

WILSON CHANGES RULES

Makes It More Difficult to Obtain American Passports

Washington, April 17.—Regulations governing the issuance of passports are made more stringent by an executive order issued today by President Wilson. Although there has been a decided abatement of complaints of the misuse of American passports, state department officials say their issuance will be still further safeguarded by today's order without applicants being submitted to undue inconvenience.

Three important changes are made by the order. It provides:

First, that the certificate of the clerk of a state court as to the identity of an applicant will not be accepted if a federal court is within easy access.

Second, that only such state courts as under existing law are privileged to grant applications for a naturalization will be recognized as qualified to certify to the identity of passport applicants.

Third, that commercial travelers and other persons whose business involves frequent trips to Europe hereafter may have their passports renewed on the basis of their original application instead of being required to secure new passports for every trip.

APRIL CLOUDS

Cloudin' up and 'spects to rain, But guess the sun will shine again; Guess the glory will come back Just as it has come of old, Makin' all the beaten track Like a road of livin' gold.

Cloudin' up, but not for good; Just a shower and then the sweet Of the sun in glorious mood Shimmering lances at yer feet!

Cloudin' up, and goin' to pour— Don't you hear the thunder roar! If you listen very fine You will hear that other sound— Of the dreams come back to shine When the green grass decks the ground.

Cloudin' up, but don't be scared, It won't last forever, men! Every joy God's had He's shared, As He's goin' to do again!

Cloudin' up, jest April's way, Fixin' things for bloom o' May; Now the shadow, afterwhile Sunshine tripping on her feet With a message and a smile Unto every lane and street.

Cloudin' up, but just as brief As the sorrows that have gone; Not much use to bank on grief When His rainbows hit the dawn! —The Bentzdown Bard.

GARDENING

I do not like to dig and till the garden—it's too hard a chore; I'd rather take a dollar bill and buy my onions at the store. When first the vernal breezes blow, men feel desire to hew the soil, and with their spades and rakes they go, and sing and chortle as they toil. But vernal breezes soon expire; the sizzling wind of summer blows and sets the toiler's beard afire, and tans his neck and bakes his nose. And as he sweats 'neath burning skies and gives the noxious weeds a whack, a million ants and bugs and flies crawl up his legs and bite his back. And then he hates his sawed-off farm, he grows enough for seven gents; his cauliflowers lose all their charm, his string beans look like 20 cents. Oh I have gardened in the spring, glows bright awhile but does not last; it is an evanescent thing. I do not like the rake and hoe, I will not ply them any more; when I want turnips I will go and buy the blamed things at the store.—Walt Mason.

WHITNEY SHOWS

COMING NEXT WEEK

Ike Heilbron, advance agent for the Whitney shows, that are to come to Monett next week, was here Tuesday to make arrangements for the advertising and other things in connection with the coming of the show. This is the company that the Loyal Order of Moose is bringing to Monett for the week of April 24.

The committee of the Loyal Order of Moose was entertained by the Whitney Shows at Neosho Monday night, and they pronounced the shows as the cleanest they ever saw. Mr. Detierich, E. V. Meher and Mr. Spain composed the committee.

HENRY CLEWS, DISCUSSING CONDITIONS IN U. S. AFTER WAR, URGES PRECAUTION

The following is an extract from a letter issued by Henry Clews & Co., New York bankers:

"A needed point of caution is developing in nearly all departments of trade and finance. The violent rise in certain commodities, the mad rush of orders for many manufactured products, the complete exhaustion of supplies in other commodities and the unreasoning eagerness of buyers created a situation so extreme and unprecedented as to seriously raise the question, Is it not time to pause? The war is, of course responsible for these extraordinary conditions, which are additionally complicated by the unusual uncertainties in home affairs.

"Facts can be cited indefinitely to prove the abnormal activity and prosperity of the United States, chiefly the result of the conflagration abroad, although last year's good harvest has been an important contributing factor.

"Such conditions cannot last. They will bring their own reaction without fail, and it is only a matter of time when that reaction begins. The longer it is postponed and the greater our profits out of the misfortunes of others, the worse will be the reaction when it arrives. Inflation always accompanies war, and in our case inflation has been materially aided by our big gold supply and the new federal reserve law which greatly facilitated the enormous expansion of credit. The phenomenal expansion of loans is highly suggestive of caution, especially as the effect of high prices in retail distribution is only just beginning to be felt. Much larger sums of money will be required to carry retail merchandise stocks, and high prices will inevitably tend to restrict consumption; though this may be temporarily offset by labor being generally well employed at very high wages. The conclusion cannot be avoided, that these conditions are highly unstable.

"When war ends a violent readjustment will be inevitable. Old conditions will not be restored. A long period of uncertainty will have to be squarely faced. This country will then find itself upon a high cost of production basis; wages and commodities will be higher here than abroad; our capacity for turning out all kinds of merchandise will be at high-water mark; Europe will need our help in rebuilding; she will be too poor to pay our high prices longer than necessary; the belligerents will supply themselves at home as far as possible, and whether we like it or not, this country with few exceptions will have to endure a period of dullness and reaction when peace ultimately comes. That result, much as it is regretted, is not close at hand; and the best way to anticipate this reaction is to take time by the forelock and apply the brakes upon the irrational tendencies connected with present upward movement before they get beyond control. Thus we may regulate the situation; secure all reasonable profits, and moderate if not avert the ill consequences that would follow an unbridled continuance of present imbalanced activities. Repeated warnings have already been issued from banking circles, and not a few of our industrial leaders have also placed themselves on record against the wild excesses which have lately been indulged in; so that those who do not take heed will have themselves to blame.

"These are not times for getting deeply into debt, but rather for pursuing a cautious policy in all operations entering into the future."

EVERYBODY'S DOIN' IT

Everybody clean up; don't let the rubbish lie.

Everybody clean up and chase the typhoid fly.

Clean your yard with all your might. Everybody clean up, and clean up right.

Bang! Slam! Bing! If you want to clean up leave no rubbish there.

Everybody does it, and every one should care.

Everybody stir about and clean up anyhow.

Everybody clean up now!

Try a Times want ad.

FUNSTON SENDS 2,000 MORE MEN ACROSS BORDER

Force is Dispatched for Protection of Those Already There—General to Order a Larger Number Into Mexico if Chase is Continued

San Antonio, Tex., April 18.—General Funston is sending to General Pershing more than 2,000 additional troops and there is reason to believe that even more will be placed at the disposal of General Pershing if the campaign against Francisco Villa is continued. The troops which have been ordered to General Pershing's base at Columbus are now on duty along the border. What troops will relieve them and where they will come from remained unannounced. It may be that the war department will authorize the sending of the few remaining troops in the United States into this department or it may be that the filling of the vacant points along the border may be left to the government of Texas, which may send the militia.

The troops selected for General Pershing are the Sixth cavalry from the Brownsville district, the Seventeenth infantry from Eagle Pass, troop L of the Tenth cavalry from Fort Apache, Ariz., and one battalion of the Twenty-fourth infantry, one company of which is at El Paso, one at Maria and another at Fabens. Marfa is a town just north of Ojinaga on the Mexican frontier and Fabens is on the Rio Grande only a few miles from El Paso.

INSIST VILLA IS DEAD

Mexican Commander Says He Has Confirmation

El Paso, Tex., April 18.—Confirmation of the reported death of Villa was announced by General Gavira at Juarez today.

Gavira said he received a message of verification from Governor Enriquez.

A PEOPLE'S HOME

JOURNAL PRIZE OFFER

"Between a millionaire's son and a plumber, if it was me, I'd take the plumber every time. Let alone the convenience of havin' your pipes done for nothing, he'd be a sight more grateful."

Eleanor Miller is the heroine of The People's Home Journal's new serial, "Love's Sacrifice," beginning in April. She married a millionaire's son. When Harry Miller left his young wife, obeying a summons from his father, Mrs. Dowd, the homely philosopher, a loyal friend of Eleanor's, speaks her mind, as quoted above. For the best letter written by a woman, either condemning or approving of Eleanor's so-called "abandonment" of her husband, The People's Home Journal will pay Ten Dollars. For the best letter written by a man on the subject, "Should a girl marry outside of her own circle?" or better, perhaps, "Should a poor girl marry a millionaire college man?" Ten Dollars will be paid. Letters must reach the Journal office not later than April twenty-fifth.—From the People's Home Journal for April.

DEDICATION OF KINGS

PRAIRIE UNION CHURCH

Following is the program for the dedication of the Kings Prairie Union church to be held May 7, 1916:

9:30 Sunday School
10:00 Song Service
10:15 Sermon
Rev. J. F. King, Monett
11:15 Sermon
Rev. Martin T. Pope, Verona
12:00 Basket Dinner
1:15 Song Service
L. T. L., Butterfield
2:15 Sermon
Rev. Harry R. Cooke, Aurora
3:00 Sermon
Dr. W. D. Sidman, Dist. Supt., Springfield

3:45 Dedication
Invitation extended to all. No contributions solicited.

Mrs. S. E. Russell, who has been visiting her nephew, Dr. J. M. Russell, left, Saturday morning, for her home at Alliance, Ohio. Mrs. J. M. Russell and daughter Alma accompanied her to St. Louis, where they will visit Paul Russell.

Miss Lydia Hoberg, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Floreth, returned to her home at Hoberg Friday.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hagler, Sunday, April 16. Mrs. F. D. Davis is visiting Mrs. Tom Griffin at Springfield.

Mrs. Joe Amber is visiting in St. Louis.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Jenkins Friday.

Mrs. W. F. Carpenter and children and Mrs. Lawrence have returned from a visit at Sarcouxie.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams visited Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Collins at Verona Tuesday.

Miss Mellie McCracken went to Sarcouxie Friday night for a short visit with relatives.

Misses Agnes Jacobs and Elizabeth Roder, of Verona, visited Saturday with Miss Katherine Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Moore left, Saturday for their new home at Springfield.

W. H. Swearingen, organizer for the Deer Lodge, went to Aurora on business, Wednesday.

Mrs. Walter Draper went to Peirce City, Wednesday morning, to visit her father, Mr. Stalter.

Mrs. R. P. Osborn and her guest, Mrs. Dubbs, of Nebraska, visited in Peirce City, Wednesday.

Miss Gladys Randall, who has been visiting Miss Ruth Bradford, went to St. Louis, Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Dave Baylor and Mrs. H. L. Ambrose came up from Purdy, Wednesday morning.

Lester McCracken, who has been ill, was able to return to work at Wainright's Wednesday.

Mrs. Georgia Lewis, of Lacyne, Kan., is here to attend to business matters.

E. A. Evans, postal clerk, is moving his family to the Fred Fesler place on Frisco avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis will leave Sunday morning, for a pleasure trip to Florida.

Miss Pearl Vermillion has returned from a two weeks' visit with home folks at Washburn.

Charles Weaver, of Springfield, visited Sunday evening with Miss Gladys Pinnell.

Will Conrey and sons Willie and Johnnie visited the family of John Conrey at Peirce City, Sunday.

Mrs. True Milleman and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Carter were called here by the illness of their father, J. P. Carter, who has pneumonia.

Blake Dirckson arrived from San Benito, Tex., Tuesday morning to visit his family, who have been here for some time.

Mrs. C. T. Hotchkiss and son, who have been visiting relatives here, returned Monday to their home at Oklahoma City, Ok.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Johnson and Mrs. Hamacker went to Joplin, Saturday morning, to visit S. E. Johnson and family.

Miss Naomi Bounous, from south of Monett, was in town, Saturday.

William Fritz and son of Freistatt were here Friday.

C. C. Williams is in the Frisco hospital in St. Louis and will undergo an operation Thursday. His daughter, Miss Pearl, is with him.

Rev. W. A. Todd, while working on his fruit farm, Wednesday morning, had his hand mashed between two rocks. No bones were broken, however.

Mrs. J. A. Livesay went to Springfield, Wednesday morning, to enter St. John's hospital for an operation. She was accompanied by Mr. Livesay and Mrs. Jas. Amber.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Barr will leave Monday for Anderson where they will live on a farm. Mr. Barr has been following his trade as hatter during his residence here.

Mrs. Anna Viles returned Friday night from Pratt, Kan., where she had spent a week visiting the families of her brothers, V. C. and Maurice Clinton.

Paul Bowman, an employee at the Monett Steam Laundry, has recovered from an attack of typhoid fever and will leave Dr. West's hospital soon. He expects to return to his home at Larned, Kan.

Mrs. Dimmit Wainright, of McDowell went to Kansas City, Friday night to attend the funeral of her nephew, Roger Carson, who was killed in an automobile accident at that place, Thursday afternoon.

Floyd Davis, of Fayetteville, Ark., and Miss Johnnie Sellers, of Grove, Ok., visited Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Keithly, Sunday night. Miss Sellers was on her way to St. Louis and Mr. Davis came this far with her.

B. P. McCaslin has gone to Logansport, Ind., to be gone two weeks.

Miss Mae Leake has returned from a short visit with relatives at Joplin. Young Costly was in Springfield on business, Monday.

J. E. Rucker of Sedalia was in town on business Monday.

W. A. Glick of Kansas City spent Monday night in Monett.

Fred Jones has been quite ill for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Martin, of McDowell, were in town, Tuesday.

George Carey, of Muskogee, Ok., is visiting here.

Attend the Blue Bird Easter Sale, Friday and Saturday. M. E. ladies.

J. A. Cheatham of Galveston, Tex., has been in town a few days.

W. J. Wood of Springfield was in town Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Todd of Sapulpa, Okla., are visiting here.

J. C. Gage has returned from Springfield, where he has been working in the interest of the Deer Lodge.

Mrs. T. J. Dwyer and Miss Buna Ruggles visited in Springfield Tuesday.

G. W. Ratliff of Denison, Tex., chief clerk R. M. S., is in town giving the examination to postal clerks.

Mrs. Jack Tinsley was in town, Tuesday on her way to Aurora and Springfield, from Tulsa, Ok.

Mrs. O. C. Klaus and Mrs. Delaplaine of Ritchey, were shopping here, Tuesday.

Mrs. V. Todisman and son Horace have returned from a visit in Tennessee.

J. L. Mace will return home tonight from Oklahoma City, where he was called by the death of a relative.

Elden Dummit, of Springfield, came down, Tuesday morning, and went to Purdy to spend the day.

Miss Gwendolin Thornhill returned to her home at Purdy, Tuesday morning after a visit with Monett friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cline have returned to their home at Okmulgee, Ok., after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Austin.

Mrs. E. Hasler, of Dallas, Tex., is expected in a few days to visit her mother, Mrs. Ida Downs. She is now visiting at Ft. Smith, Ark.

J. Pugh, conductor, who has been running extra on southwest division, will move to Sapulpa, about the first of the month, where he will have better service conditions.

Miss Journey of Washburn, sister of Mrs. Harry Montgomery, left Tuesday morning for her new home at Tar River, Okla. The other members of the family went some time ago, Miss Journey remaining to finish her school term.

GRAND JURY

John R. Miller, prosecuting attorney of Lawrence county, stated in the presence of the World reporter today that the grand jury, which meets at the next regular May term of circuit court, will take up an investigation of the failure of several property owners of this county to correctly list with the county assessor the value of their property.—Aurora World.

INDICTS CAPTAIN VON PAPEN

New York, April 17.—Capt. Franz von Papen, recalled German military attache, was indicted by a federal grand jury this afternoon for alleged participation in the plot to blow up the Welland Canal in Canada.

Capt. Hans Tauscher, husband of Mme. Galski, Grand Opera singer, Alfred Fritzen and two others whose names have not been revealed, were also indicted.

EDITOR VERSUS BURGLAR

"Did you ever hear about the burglar that broke in on the Arkansas editor? The editor was unarmed, so he engaged the burglar in hand-to-hand conflict, and it was only after a terrific struggle that he was able to rob the burglar."—Jack Lait in The American Magazine for May.

HARD TO TELL MISFORTUNE

"One nice thing about life, as I see it," says Congressman Edward J. King of Illinois in the May American Magazine, "is that misfortune cannot always be set down for a certainty as misfortune unless one judges it in the light of later events, and by that time it frequently proves to be not misfortune at all."